

DOLL MAN



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THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST MITE

WEIRD! FANTASTIC!

INSECTS AS LARGE AS DOGS,

MICE THE SIZE OF ELEPHANTS

AND MEN TOWERING OVER BUILDINGS!

IN
GIANTS OF CRIME!

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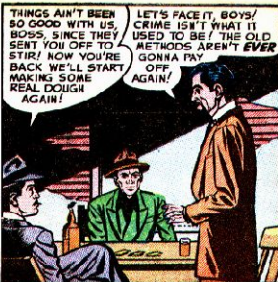
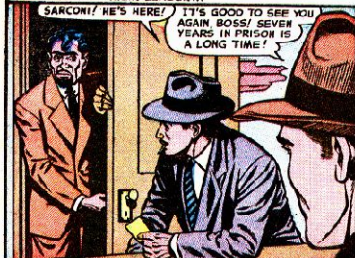
DOLL MAN

and the
GIANTS OF CRIME!



Darrel Dane, brilliant young research scientist devotes all of his efforts to making science aid man's progress...just as he unceasingly battles crime as the Doll Man! But when a master criminal turns the product of Darrel Dane's genius AGAINST the Doll Man, the mighty mite matches his formidable powers against the gargantuan menace of **THE GHASTLY GIANT OF CRIME!**

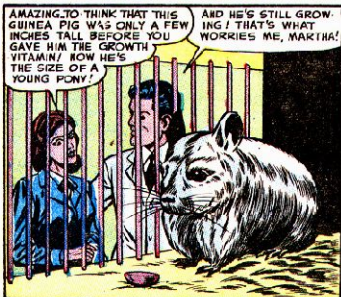
IN A HIDEOUT ROOM WHERE TWO LOYAL HENCHMEN AWAIT THE RETURN OF THEIR LEADER...



SCIENTIFIC METHODS OF CRIME DETECTING ARE WHAT KILLED OFF THE OLD RACKETS! THE ONLY WAY WE CAN COME BACK IS TO **USE SCIENCE OURSELVES!** WE'LL START WITH THIS FELLOW, DARREL DANE...



LATER, IN DARREL DANE'S RESEARCH LABORATORY...





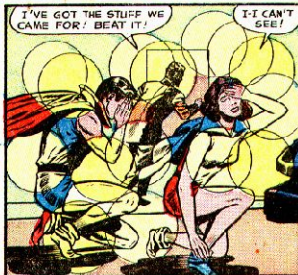
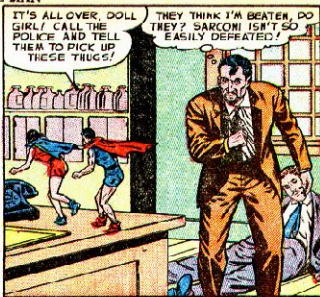
AS MARTHA ROBERTS CLICKS THE SWITCH, THE LAB ROOM IS PLUNGED INTO INKY DARKNESS!

NOW'S THE TIME, MARTHA! BEFORE THEY GET THE LIGHTS ON, CONCENTRATE YOUR WILL POWER... RIGHT!

DARREL DANE AND MARTHA ROBERTS BOTH POSSESS THE UNIQUE ABILITY OF CONDENSING THE ATOMS OF THEIR BODIES BY AN EFFORT OF WILL, THUS BECOMING...

DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL!





LONG, PAINFUL MINUTES LATER...

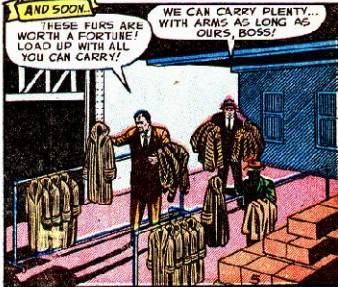


DOLL MAN

AT SARCONI'S HEADQUARTERS, A FANTASTIC EXPERIMENT IS CONCLUDED.



A FEW NIGHTS LATER, GROTESQUELY LARGE FIGURES APPEAR OUTSIDE A FUR LOFT BUILDING





THAT SAME MORNING DARREL DANE AND MARTHA ROBERTS VISIT THE POLICE STATION...



LUCKY WE HAVE ELMO TO GUIDE US! WE STILL CAN'T SEE WELL ENOUGH TO GO ALONE!

BUT WE HAD TO REPORT TO THE POLICE! I WAS CERTAIN SARCONI AND HIS HENCHMEN WERE BEHIND THAT MYSTERIOUS FUR ROBBERY!

THE EVIDENCE PROVES I WAS RIGHT! ONLY GIANTS COULD HAVE REACHED THAT WINDOW AND BROKEN THE BARS! AND THE POLICE DISCOVERED ONE OF THEIR FOOTPRINTS!

LARGER THAN ANY EVER RECORDED!



LATER...

THAT MAKES THE TWELFTH STORE I'VE CHECKED. NOBODY HAS A RECORD OF SELLING GIANT-SIZED CLOTHING ARTICLES!

KEEP TRYING! WE KNOW THAT ORDINARY APPAREL WON'T FIT THE MEN WE'RE LOOKING FOR!



AGAIN, AN EFFORT OF AMAZING WILL POWER, AND...

AND FINALLY...

WHAT'S THAT?...ONE OF YOUR CUSTOM TAILORS FILLED AN ORDER FOR OUTFITTING TWELVE-FOOT WAX DUMMIES! THEY SAID IT WAS FOR A MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION?

THAT'S IT! GET THE ADDRESS, MARTHA!

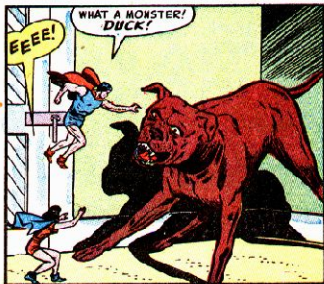
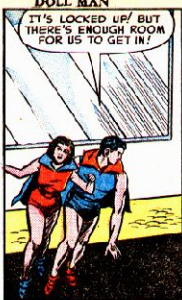
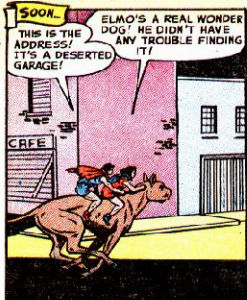


I'LL BET THOSE WEREN'T WAX DUMMIES THEY BOUGHT CLOTHES FOR! THAT'S THE SORT OF EXCUSE SARCONI WOULD USE TO ALLAY SUSPICION!

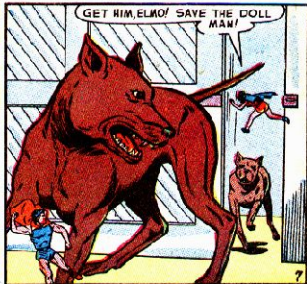
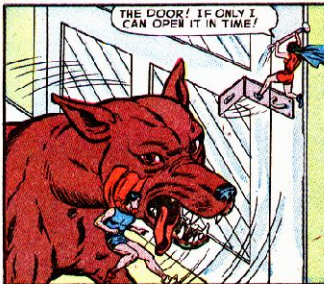
LET'S GO, ELMO!



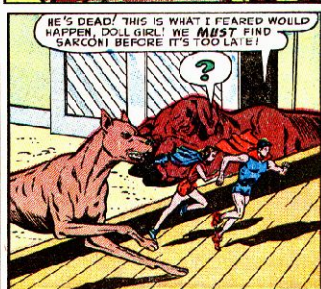
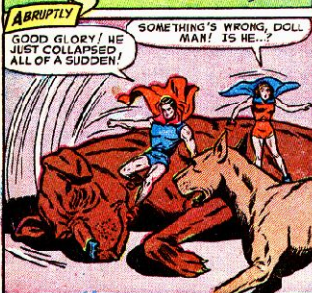
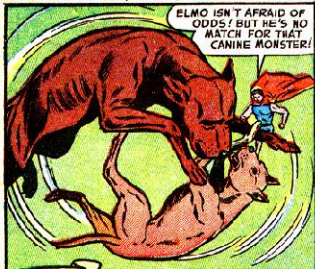
DOLL MAN



PINNED DOWN BY THE GIANT DOG'S FIRST RUSH, DOLL MAN FIGHTS VALIANTLY FOR HIS LIFE!



SHARLING DEFIANCE, ELMO LEAPS INTO THE FRAY...

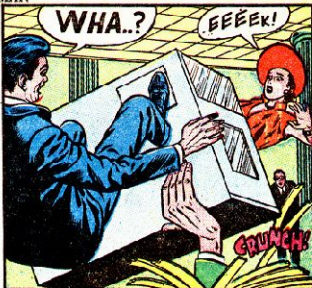
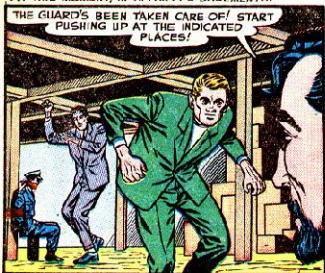


IN THE HIDEOUT ROOM ATOP THE GARAGE.



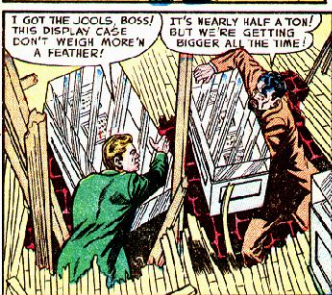
AT THIS MOMENT, IN TIFFARTY'S BASEMENT...

THE GUARD'S BEEN TAKEN CARE OF! START PUSHING UP AT THE INDICATED PLACES!



I GOT THE JOOLS, BOSS! THIS DISPLAY CASE DON'T WEIGH MORE'N A FEATHER!

IT'S NEARLY HALF A TON! BUT WE'RE GETTING BIGGER ALL THE TIME!



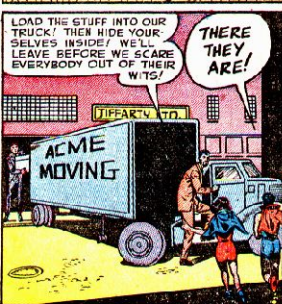
EVEN OUR CLOTHES DON'T FIT US ANYMORE!

WE MUSTA GROWN SINCE WE CAME IN HERE! I USETA FIT THROUGH THAT DOOR!



LOAD THE STUFF INTO OUR TRUCK! THEN HIDE YOURSELVES INSIDE! WE'LL LEAVE BEFORE WE SCARE EVERYBODY OUT OF THEIR WITS!

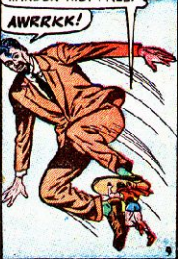
THERE THEY ARE!



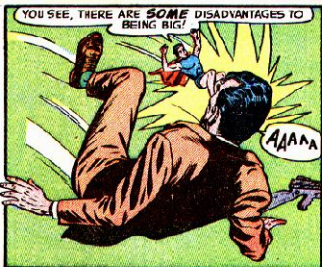
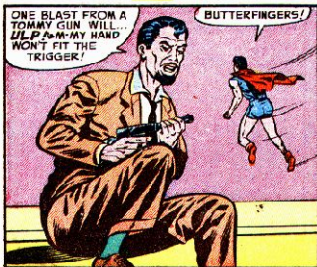
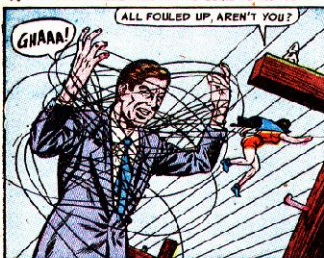
DOLLMAN! YOU LOOK SMALLER THAN EVER!



BUT REMEMBER THE ADAGE! THE BIGGER THEY ARE, THE HARDER THEY FALL!



AS SARCON'S HENCHMEN TRY TO COME TO HIS AID...



LATER, WHEN THE POLICE ARRIVE WITH THE AMBULANCE...



AND SO, SEVERAL DAYS LATER...



A GUY, A GAL, A MURDER!

THESE ARE THE INGREDIENTS THAT MAKE A
SPINE-CHILLING NIGHTMARE FOR PRIVATE EYE
KEN SHANNON

IN

The Case of the Carny Killers!

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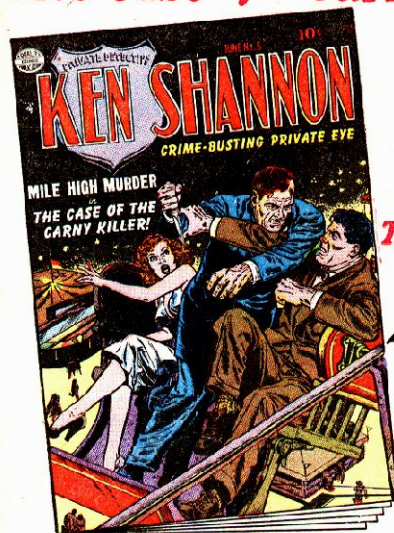
**DOCTOR of
DEATH!**

**THE MAN FROM
NOWHERE!**

ALL IN THE JUNE ISSUE-

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WATCH FOR IT ON YOUR NEWSSTAND...

TORCHY

OFFICER, FOLLOW THAT MAN!

WELL... OKAY!
BUT I'D MUCH
RATHER FOLLOW
YOU!

WAITING ROOM

TRAIN SCHEDULE

LOCAL	EXPRESS
STANFORD 3:20	
WESTPORT 6:15	NORWALK 4:02

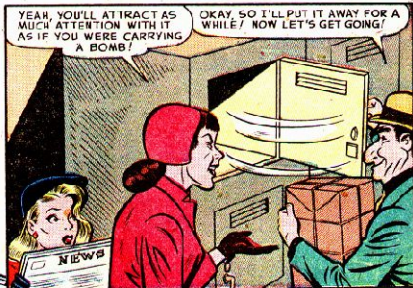
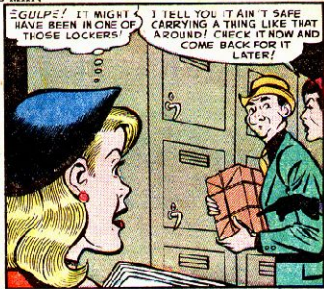
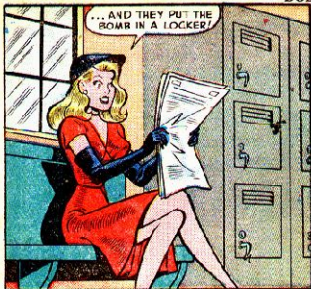
OH, GOSH! TESS'S TRAIN
IS GOING TO BE LATE!
I'LL READ MY PAPER
WHILE I'M WAITING!

TRAIN SCHEDULE

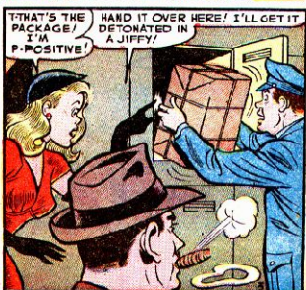
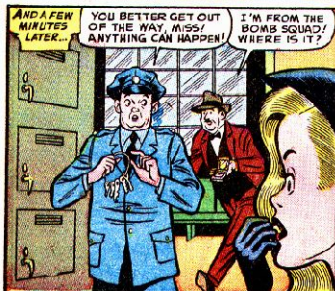
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GOODNESS! THAT HAPPENED
RIGHT HERE! I'M CERTAINLY
GLAD THEY FOUND IT BEFORE
IT WENT OFF!

NEWS
BOMB FOUND
IN UNION
STATION



DOIL MAN



DOLL MAN



GET BACK, LADY!

THIS IS THE FUNNIEST SMELLING BOMB! WELL, I'LL BE A FLATFOOTED ROOKIE! ...THIS IS A PACKAGE OF LIMBURGER CHEESE IN HERE!



YOUNG LADY, I OUGHT TO RUN YOU IN FOR DISTURBING THE PEACE! IF THIS IS YOUR IDEA OF A PRACTICAL JOKE...

BUT THE MAN WHO PUT IT THERE SAID HE WAS AFRAID OF THE POLICE... AND THAT HE GETS A BIG BANG OUT OF IT!



OH, GOODNESS! THERE HE IS! HE CAN TELL YOU I'M NOT MAKING IT ALL UP!

I CAN HARDLY WAIT TO GET MY HANDS ON THAT CHEESE! I'M STARVING TO DEATH!



WAIT A MINUTE! THAT'S LIMBURGER LOUIE! WE'VE BEEN LOOKING ALL OVER TOWN FOR HIM! HE BROKE OUT OF JAIL LAST WEEK! THIS PLACE IS LOUSY WITH COPS! I GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE!



HERE, HOLD THIS A MINUTE! I'M GOING AFTER HIM!

MY GOODNESS, SO HE'S A REAL CRIMINAL AFTER ALL!



OKAY, LOUIE! YOUR VACATION IS OFFICIALLY OVER! COME ON!

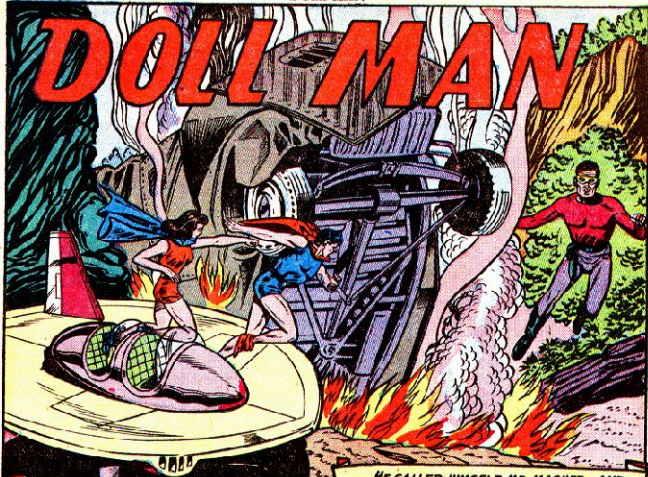
STOP SHOYING! I'M COMING WITH YOU BUT IT'S ONLY BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE MUCH CHOICE IN THE MATTER!



YOU LOOK A LITTLE WEAK IN THE KNEES! TOO MUCH EXCITEMENT, EH?

NO, TOO MUCH LIMBURGER!

DOLL MAN



NIGHT, AND A LONE FIGURE MOVES LIKE A CRAWLING FLY UP THE STEEP SIDES OF A SKYSCRAPER...

THAT WINDOW IS THE ONE I WANT!

HE CALLED HIMSELF MR. MAGNET... AND WITH GOOD REASON! CERTAINLY HE WAS THE MOST UNUSUAL CROOK THAT DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL EVER FACED! AND TO THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST MITES COMES THE DANGEROUS TASK OF CAPTURING...

"The MYSTERIOUS MR. MAGNET!"

MR. DENNISON, I BELIEVE! I THOUGHT I'D DROP IN TO SEE YOU!

YOU?... IT ISN'T POSSIBLE!



DOLL MAN



AT THIS MOMENT...

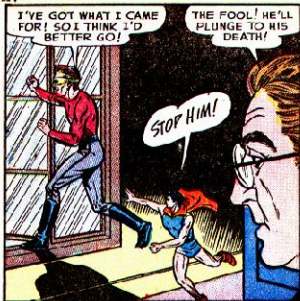


BY AN EFFORT OF WILL, DARREL DANE AND HIS FIANCEE, MARTHA ROBERTS, CAN CONDENSE THE MOLECULES OF THEIR BODIES AND SO BECOME DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL!

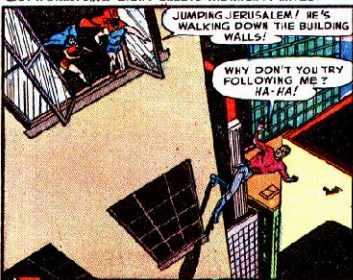


A QUICK MOVE BY MR. MAGNET...

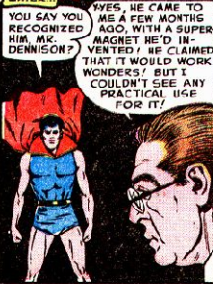




BUT A STARTLING SIGHT GREETES THE MIGHTY MITES!



LATER...





HUH?
I STILL
DON'T
SEE...

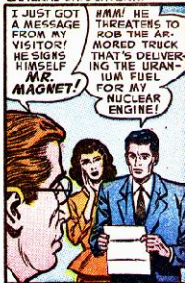
HE ATTACHED POWERFUL
MAGNETS TO HIS SHOES!
THEY GRIPPED THE
BUILDING WALL TIGHTLY
ENOUGH TO ENABLE HIM
TO KEEP HIS BALANCE!



BUT THE WALL
IS OF CONCRETE
...AND CONCRETE
ISN'T A MAGNETIC
SUBSTANCE! IT
HAS NO PERMEA-
BILITY!

OUR FRIEND HAS
DISCOVERED A
MAGNETISM
POWERFUL
ENOUGH TO
PERMEATE
SUBSTANCES
USUALLY IMMUNE!
HE'S A GENIUS... IN
HIS OWN PECULIAR,
TWISTED FASHION!
BUT THAT ONLY
MAKES HIM
**DOUBLY
DANGEROUS!**

SEVERAL DAYS LATER...



I JUST GOT
A MESSAGE
FROM MY
VISITOR!
HE SIGNS
HIMSELF
**MR.
MAGNET!**

HMM! HE
THREATENS TO
ROB THE AR-
MORED TRUCK
THAT'S DELIVER-
ING THE URANI-
UM FUEL
FOR MY
NUCLEAR
ENGINE!



PURE NONSENSE, OF
COURSE! THAT URANIUM
WILL BE TOO WELL
GUARDED FOR ANYONE
TO STEAL IT!

I WONDER? MR. MAGNET
IS NO ORDINARY
CROOK!

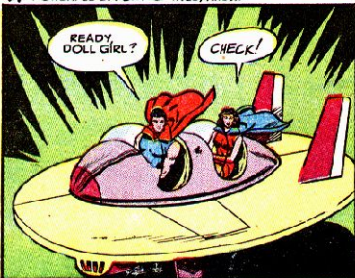


SOON, IN MARTHA ROBERT'S HOME...

LUCKILY, NO ONE SUSPECTS THAT THIS TOY
MODEL OF A PLANE REALLY WORKS!

THE DOLL PLANE CAN
TRAVEL FASTER THAN
AIRPLANES A THOU-
SAND TIMES ITS
SIZE!

A POWERFUL EFFORT OF WILL, AND...



READY,
DOLL GIRL?

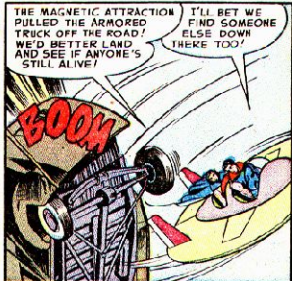
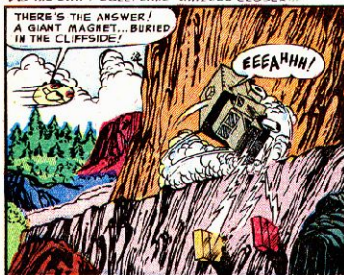
CHECK!



THAT ARMORED TRUCK WILL BE NEARING
THE CITY NOW! WE KNOW THE ROUTE IT'S
TRAVELLING! WE CAN BE THERE IN LESS
THAN A MINUTE!



AS THE SWIFT DOLL PLANE WHIZZES CLOSER...



AFTER AN HEROIC BATTLE WITH THE FLAMES.



BOTH MEN ARE UNCONSCIOUS... BUT ALIVE! THEY'RE BEYOND REACH OF THE FIRE NOW!

AND SO IS THE URANIUM THEY WERE CARRYING!

DOLL MAN

BUT MR. MAGNET IS GONE! HE HAD PLENTY OF TIME TO ESCAPE WHILE WE WERE BUSY HERE!

WHAT AN IN-HUMAN PLAN! HE WOULD HAVE MURDERED TWO INNOCENT MEN JUST TO GET HIS HANDS ON THAT URANIUM SHIPMENT!



I'LL STAY WITH THESE POOR FELLOWS! YOU TAKE THE DOLL PLANE AND GO FOR AN AMBULANCE!

OKAY! WHILE I'M ABOUT IT, I'LL GET ANOTHER ARMORED TRUCK TO TAKE THE URANIUM TO ITS PROPER DESTINATION!



SEVERAL DAYS LATER, IN THE MUSEUM OF SCIENCE...

I CONGRATULATE YOU, MR. DANE! YOUR NUCLEAR ENGINE RUNS PERFECTLY ON URANIUM FUEL!

IT WILL PROVE AN INVALUABLE ADDITION TO DEMOCRACY'S ARSENAL! WE'LL KEEP IT UNDER HEAVY GUARD UNTIL WE CAN REMOVE IT TO WASHINGTON!



SUDDENLY...

THAT WON'T BE NECESSARY, GENTLEMEN! I CAN SELL THAT ENGINE FOR A FORTUNE! SO I'LL REMOVE IT... NOW!

MR. MAGNET!



YOU MUST BE CRAZY TO COME HERE! WE'LL... WHAT'S WRONG? I CAN'T MOVE!

NEITHER CAN I!

DIDN'T I EXPLAIN?



I PAID AN EARLIER VISIT HERE, IN THE GUISE OF AN ELECTRICIAN! ACTUALLY I PLANTED SMALL ELECTRO-MAGNETS IN THE FLOOR! WHEN I SET THE CURRENT GOING, THE MAGNETISM HELD YOU FAST... BY THE IRON NAILS IN YOUR SHOES! HA-HA!

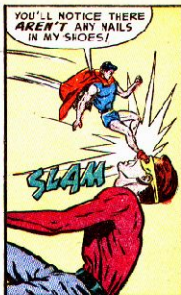


SO THAT'S IT! NO ONE'S WATCHING US NOW, MARTHA! CONCENTRATE YOUR WILL POWER!

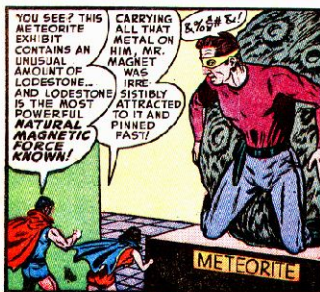
RIGHT!



SECONDS LATER...



QUICKLY RECOVERING, DOLL MAN CONTINUES THE CHASE ONTO THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE MUSEUM...



THE FOLLOWING EVENING...



The DEATH ACT

"AND NOW," shouted the ringmaster from the center of the circus tent, "you are about to see one of the most exciting, death-defying acts of all time. The Human Cannon Ball will be shot from the far end of the tent and will land in a net at the other end. Wait and be ready to see The Great Maleko."

Albert Marshall was in the audience with his wife. For this one night he wanted to forget that he was Chief Detective of Homicide. He was just another patron who had paid his fee to see the circus. A man, even a detective, had to have a little relaxation once in a while.

The Great Maleko came out and was put into his suit and helmet. With the aid of an assistant, he was shoved into the mouth of the cannon. The assistant took his time to be sure that everything was ready while the audience waited in silence and suspense. Albert Marshall turned to his wife and smiled.

"I've been shot at plenty of times," he said. "But I wouldn't want to change places with him."

"And I wouldn't allow it," she replied. "Every time he does this act, he's risking his life."

There was a rumble of drums. The cannon was fired and The Human Cannon Ball, The Great Maleko, went sailing through the air. Detective Marshall watched and grew tense. "Something's wrong," he said.

"Why?" asked his wife. "What do you mean?"

"Men usually keep straight and stiff in an act like this," he explained. "That fellow is doubled up and writhing in pain."

The Great Maleko landed awkwardly in the net, his head down and his knees drawn tightly against his stomach. Detective Marshall ran from his seat and leaped over the iron railing and ran as fast as he could to the far end of the tent where Maleko had landed.

"That man," thought Mrs. Marshall. "He can't relax for a minute."

But the detective had been in the business long enough to detect death when he saw it. By the time he got there, The Great Maleko lay dead in the net. Roustabouts with the circus came and carried him away, lifting him down gently so that the audience wouldn't suspect what had happened.

The show went on, with clowns and laughter and gay music. But the scene was drab outside.

There was a corpse and cops and the coroner and Detective Marshall of Homicide.

"He died of cyanide," said the coroner. "Must have taken it before he crawled into the cannon. Guess he committed suicide in a spectacular manner."

"Yeah," replied Detective Marshall. "Only I have to be sure it's suicide. In my department, we look for murder."

"How could it be murder?" asked the coroner, shrugging his shoulders. "You know that cyanide works fast. This guy was in the cannon for five minutes before the act. Nobody could have crawled in to poison him."

"Okay," replied the detective. "You've done your job. Leave the rest to me."

Detective Marshall knew nothing of the dead man. He had no reason to believe that it was anything but suicide. But his training and experience had made it automatic to investigate. He walked the length of the tent to take a look at the cannon. He talked to the assistant. Then he saw something sticking out from under a small canvas that made him suspicious. He examined it. It was a can with a pressure valve on the top. And what came out was cyanide gas.

The assistant bristled as the detective turned to him. "I don't know anything about that," he shouted above the noise of the circus. "You can't pin anything on me." Somebody else must have squirted the cyanide gas into the cannon.

"How did you know it was cyanide gas?" asked the detective. "You weren't with the coroner when he gave the cause of death. Maybe that means you did it."

The assistant tried to get away but was caught. He admitted later that he had wanted the job and had tried to get rid of The Great Maleko so that he could take his place. And he had released the cyanide gas into the mouth of the cannon. The police arrested the assistant and took him away. Later, Detective Marshall returned to his wife who was watching the circus.

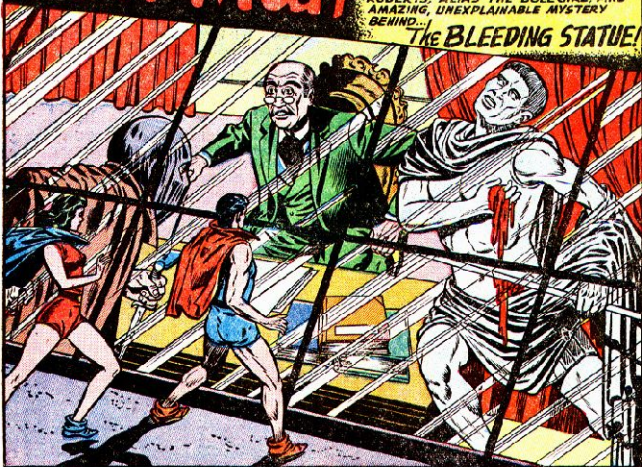
"Where have you been?" she asked, obviously annoyed. "Can't we have an evening out together?"

"Apparently not," answered the Chief of Homicide. "I'll tell you what happened when we get home. Only The Great Maleko didn't do a death-defying act. It was a death act. See what I mean?"

Doll Man

ACCORDING TO LEGEND, THE STATUE OF JULIUS CAESAR WOULD BLEED AS A WARNING THAT SOMEONE IN THE FAMILY OF SLADE WAS GOING TO MEET VIOLENT DEATH! A GRIM AND GHASTLY LEGEND, SAID SOME... SUPERSTITIOUS NONSENSE, SAID SCIENTIST DARREL DANE! BUT EVEN DARREL DANE, ALIAS THE DOLL MAN, AND HIS FIANCEE, MARTHA ROBERTS, ALIAS THE DOLLGIRL, FIND AMAZING, UNEXPLAINABLE MYSTERY BEHIND...

THE BLEEDING STATUE!



IN THE FEUDAL MANSION OF OLD EBEN SLADE...

HEE-HEE! WE'VE HAD CAESAR'S STATUE STANDING THERE EVER SINCE THIS HOUSE WAS BUILT! THEY SAY IT BLOODS WHENEVER A SLADE IS GOING TO DIE BY VIOLENT MEANS!

SURELY YOU DON'T BELIEVE THAT, EBEN!

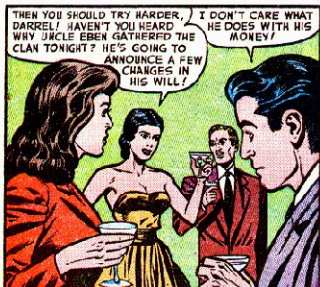
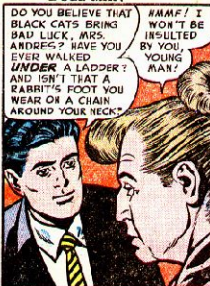


MRS. ANDRES HAS BEEN HOUSEKEEPER HERE FOR NIGH FORTY YEARS! AND SHE SAW IT BLEED!

THAT I DID, SIR...ON THE VERY NIGHT YOUR POOR WIFE WAS KILLED IN THAT AUTO ACCIDENT!

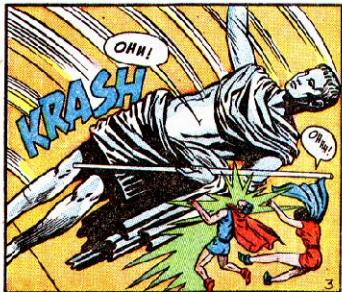
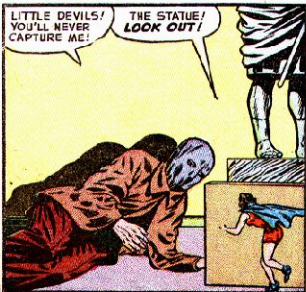
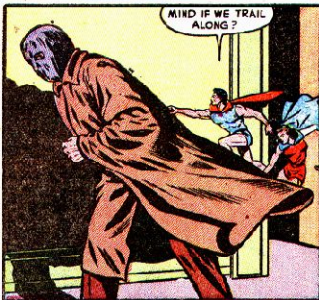


DOLL MAN





DARREL DANE AND MARTHA ROBERTS POSSESS THE UNIQUE ABILITY TO CONDENSE THE ATOMS OF THEIR BODIES BY AN EFFORT OF WILL, THUS BECOMING DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL!



DAZED MOMENTS LATER...

WOW! MY LEGS
FEEL LIKE BOILED
SPAGHETTI! HOW
ARE YOU, DOLL
GIRL?

STILL DIZZY,
I GUESS!
I-I THINK I
SEE A STAIN
ON CAESAR'S
STATUE, AND-AND
IT LOOKS LIKE...



YOU'RE
RIGHT!
BLOOD!

THEN THE
LEGEND CAME
TRUE! CAESAR'S
STATUE DID
BLEED... AS A
WARNING OF
OLD EBEN
SLADE'S DEATH!



EBEN SLADE
WASN'T KILLED
AT THE DESK
WHERE WE
FOUND HIM!
HE WAS PROPPED
UP THERE BY THE
KILLER, AFTER
THE MURDER!

THAT EXPLAINS THE BLOODSTAINS
ON CAESAR'S STATUE! EBEN
MUST HAVE BEEN NEAR THE
STATUE WHEN HE WAS KNIFED!
HE FELL AGAINST IT WHEN
HE WAS STRUCK DOWN!



BUT **WHY** WOULD THE KILLER
DRAG A CORPSE BACK AND
ARRANGE HIM SITTING
AT THE DESK?

MY GUESS IS THAT EBEN PUT
UP A FURIOUS STRUGGLE
BEFORE HE WAS FINALLY
KILLED! AND THE KILLER
WANTED TO CONCEAL
THE FACT THAT THERE
**HAD BEEN A
STRUGGLE!**



THERE'S ONLY ONE REASON WHY HE'D BE SO
CAREFUL TO CONCEAL THE FACT OF A
STRUGGLE! BECAUSE EBEN MANAGED TO
**INFLECT SOME INJURY UPON HIS ASSAILANT
BEFORE HE DIED!**



I SUGGEST THAT WE ALL SUBMIT TO A
COMPLETE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION!
WE CAN CALL IN A QUALIFIED
PHYSICIAN AND...

**RIDICULOUS! I'LL DO
NO SUCH THING!**



I KNOW WHO
KILLED HIM! A
GREEDY RELATIVE
WHO FOUND OUT
HE WAS GOING
TO CHANGE HIS
WILL AND LEAVE
EVERYTHING TO
ME!

MAYBE YOU'D
BETTER TELL
US WHOM YOU
SUSPECT,
MRS. ANDRES!



OH, I COULDN'T DO THAT! MY
HOROSCOPE FORBIDS ME
TO REVEAL ANY SECRETS,
OR I WON'T INHERIT THE
FORTUNE! AND I **NEVER**
GO AGAINST MY
HOROSCOPE!



DOLL MAN



THAT NIGHT, IN EBEN SLADE'S STUDY... THIS MAGNIFYING MIRROR REVERSES THE INK MARKS ON THE BLOTTER! THERE'S ENOUGH LEGIBLE WRITING TO PROVE MRS. ANDRES WAS RIGHT! EBEN SLADE WAS WRITING A NEW WILL WHEN HE WAS MURDERED.



AGAIN THE MIRACULOUS CHANGE TO DOLL MAN AND DOLL GIRL...

MRS. ANDRES IS TRYING SOME SUBTLE BLACKMAIL! SHE AS MUCH AS TOLD THE KILLER THAT UNLESS HE RETURNED THE NEW WILL EBEN SLADE MADE OUT, SHE'D TELL WHAT SHE KNEW!

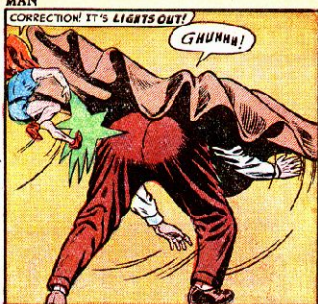
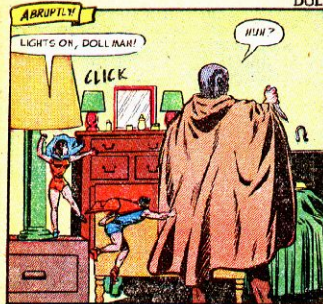


IF HE'S NOT THE TYPE WHO BLACKMAILS EASILY, MRS. ANDRES MAY HAVE SPELLED OUT AN INVITATION TO MURDER... **HER OWN MURDER!**



AT LAST THE SILENCE IS BROKEN BY THE MUTED SCRATCHING OF A KEY IN THE LOCK THEN THE DOOR OPENS AND...





WHEN THE TWO MIGHTY NITES UNTANGLE THEMSELVES.



LATER, WHEN THE POLICE TAKE OVER...



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